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THE SAMUEL WILBOR HOUSE Old Chatham, Columbia County New York

Owner: Mrs. Ernest M.Smith.

Date of Erection: 1830 (see card); between 1810 and 1820 (see text).

Architect and Builder: No record.

Present Condition: Good.

Number of Stories: Two.

Materials of Construction: Brick.

Other Existing RecordsSee text.

Additional Data: See following pages.

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WILDOR HOUSE OLD CHATHAM, N. Y.

Samuel Wilbor was a descendant of Samuel Wildboar, one of the early settlers of Rhode Island. He moved to Chatham and between 1810 and 1820 built the two story main portion of the house. The rear wing and the story-and-a-half extension to the east were added by his grandson, who was the grandfather of the present owner, Mrs. Ernest M. Smith, (Katharine Wilbor). Mr. Frederick M. Wilbor, the great-great grandson of the original builder, is still living in a house built nearby in 1807 by Edward Wilbor.

All the hand-carving inside the house is said to have been done by a Mr. Lay, whose handiwork was wellknown in the vicinity during the early 19th Century.

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